Selectmen's Meeting: Minutes Thursday, March 5th, 2015 at 7:30pm Town Hall Meeting Room

Present: First Selectman Gayle Weinstein, Selectman David Muller, Selectman Dennis Tracey, Town Administrator Tom Landry, Administrative Assistant Randi Derene, Weston Residents

Ms. Weinstein called the meeting to order at: 7:38pm

This meeting was recorded and videotaped. Copies are available in the Selectmen's Office. The meetings are available for viewing online via the Town's website.

Pledge of Allegiance: Ms. Weinstein led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Muller and Ms. Weinstein first congratulated Mr. Tracey, along with all the coaches, and of course the Mock Trial students, for winning the State Championship.

Discussion/decision regarding the appointment of Andrew Cumming to the Veteran's Affairs Committee for a term to end December 31, 2016; Andrew Cumming

Mr. Cumming has served for 29 years on active duty and is currently working at Norfield Congregational Church. Mr. Cumming is a big military supporter and would be proud to serve on Weston's Veteran's Affairs Committee.

Mr. Muller moved to appoint Mr. Cumming to the Veteran's Affairs Committee for a term to end December 31, 2016. Mr. Tracey seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion/decision regarding the re-designation of Weston as a HeartSafe Community: Nisan Eventoff

Ms. Weinstein announced to the community that Weston has earned it's re-designation as a HeartSafe Community, which means that a certain number of residents that are certified in CPR and how to use the AED Defibulators.

Discussion/decision regarding the appointment of Robert Uzenoff as the Moderator and Susan Moch as the (assistant moderator) Parliamentarian for the ATBM on April 22nd, 2015.

Mr. Tracey moved to appoint Robert Uzzenoff as the Moderator and Susan Moch as the assistant moderator for the ATBM on April 22⁻ 2015. Mr. Muller seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion/decision regarding school and town facility needs

Ms. Weinstein discusses the plans and solutions for facility needs. Being discussed are the potential of building a new public safety complex, as well as the need to take the Annex off line. The issue of declining enrollment has been brought to the selectman's attention so the plans were reviewed again and more options were discussed. (See attached). Note that Option E is the only option that the Board of Education said that they would approve.

Mr. Muller states that all the options will need to be discussed again once this is presented to the Board of Finance and the Board of Education. The Town needs to be presented with more than one option. Mr. Tracey agreed and feels that more options should be analyzed.

In addition to different scenarios of use for Hurlbutt, Ms. Weinstein has asked Sergeant Ferullo and the Chief of Police to give a risk assessment of relocating staff to the North House. But

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more information needs to be gathered, such as what the concerns are from the BOE. He did feel there may be risks, but he also feels there are ways to mitigate the risk.

Mr. Muller stated that he just wants to be sure that wherever the Senior Center ends up, that the amount of space they currently have is not reduced. Ms. Weinstein agreed and would also like to make sure that they have a longer MOU with whatever the space that the Senior Center ends up in, and would ideally like to give them a permanent home.

Ms. Weinstein said her next step is presenting all of these options to the Board of Finance as she wants to get moving on a decision so she can notify the Police Department and the architect. Mr. Tracey wanted Ms. Weinstein to ask the Superintendent and the Board of Education the following questions:

- 1- Is there any mitigating steps we can take that would allow us to put school operations into North House.
- 2- Is there any mitigating steps we can take that would allow us to put Land Use into North House.

Open Items:

First Selectman Updates: Ms. Weinstein spoke about the snow removal budget. The town budgets for 8 events, and she believes that the storm this evening would be event #21. She thanks the DPW employees who are out now making sure the roads are safe for us.

Discussion/decision regarding the approval of minutes from the Board of Selectman's meeting on December 15th, 2014 and February 5th and 10th, 2015. Mr. Muller moved to approve the minutes of the Board of Selectman's minutes on December 15th, 2014 and February 5th and 10th, 2015. Mr. Tracey seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Weinstein made a motion to add a discussion in executive session regarding contract negotiations. Mr. Muller seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Weinstein mad a motion to go into executive session to discuss litigation update and contract negotiations. Mr. Tracey seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Session adjourned: 8:16pm

Respectfully Submitted, Randi Derene Administrative Assistant

Approved 5/7/15